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### MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: The Executive Officers Group Meeting at Charlottesville, Virginia, 25 - 28 June 1970

- 1. The subjects covered in the formal conference sessions are listed in the attached program. The conference chairman indicated that they represent topics to which time was given in the President's State of the Union Message.
- 2. In addition to these subjects one session was devoted to the Executive Officers Group members only. It was chaired by Mr. Joseph Robertson who heads the Executive Officers Group. Mr. Robertson invited those present to surface problems which they felt could usefully be discussed in this forum. The following were covered:
  - a. The use of first class air accommodations. Mr. Alan Dean, DOT, indicated that he was inclined to recommend liberalization within his Department. After extended discussion the Group consensus was that sufficient flexibility exists under present rules and a formal change is not necessary.
  - b. Mr. John Lang, USAF, raised the problem of RIF bumping procedures. Mr. Rosen, CSC, stated that Chairman Hampton has directed a very hard study of this program, with the report due in August 1970, and including even the veterans preference sacred cow. The discussion consensus was that RIF procedures need change and improvement.
  - c. As an outgrowth of and part of the RIF discussion, the matter of fitness reports received attention. It was agreed that Mr. Rosen is to lead a discussion on this subject at the next Executive Officers Group meeting.

- d. Mr. Froehlke raised the question of strikes and labor problems. This led to a detailed discussion of the FAA and Post Office strikes. It was agreed that a special session for Executive Officer Group members on labor management relationships would be set up under the sponsorship of the Civil Service Commission. Mr. Larry Jobe and Mr. Charles Parker are to develop the program.
- 3. Other topics which received some attention were:
- a. The handling of MOB outside organizers and anti-Vietnam internal groups.
  - b. Communications up, down, and lateral.
- c. The Domestic Council and the new Office of Management and Budget.
- 4. On the mechanical side there were two developments:
- a. Mr. Robertson announced that the next Charlottesville conference (February 1971) would be held at the Federal Executive Institute. He stated that the registration fee would be \$100 per participant vice the previous NIPA subsidy. He also stated that there would be no Saturday evening session.
- b. Mr. Robertson suggested luncheon and dinner meetings in the Washington area pointed at detailed handling of specific subjects. There was a clear consensus in favor of this proposal, with monthly evening sessions favored interspersed occasionally with social evenings including wives such as held sometime recently at Bolling Officers Club. Messrs. Froehlke, Condon, and Pellerzi were constituted as a committee to develop a program for some months ahead.

5. Two other points were domestic per diem (see ADD/S memo dated 29 June 70 for D/F - #70-2673) and the sub-Cabinet sessions in the Department of State auditorium. I am not sure how the Agency participates in the sub-Cabinet meetings but it would appear that the sessions that have been held have been very good.

John W. Coffey
Assistant Deputy Director
for Support

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Att 1: Program

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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP IN A CHANGING WORLD

> A conference for members of

The Executive Officers Group

sponsored by

The National Institute of Public Affairs

June 25-28, 1970 Charlottesville, Virginia

Rowland Egger, Secretary

Bertrand M. Harding

### PROGRAM

## **CPYRGHT**

THURSDAY, June 25

6:30 p.m. RECEPTION AND DINNER

8:00 p.m. THE CONFERENCE BEGINS

Chairman

Phillip S. Hughes
Acting President
National Institute of Public Affairs

Remarks on Where We Are

Dwight A. Ink
Assistant Director for Executive
Management
Bureau of the Budget

The Administration's View of the Future

Peter M. Flanigan
Assistant to the President

General Discussion

FRIDAY, June 26

9:00 a.m. THE MANAGEMENT OF GROWTH

Chairman

Murray L. Weidenbaum Assistant Secretary Department of the Treasury Resource Persons

Paul W. McCracken

Chairman

Council of Economic Advisors

Richard Bolling

Representative from Missouri

12:15 p.m. LUNCH

1:30 p.m. CURRENT PROBLEMS IN ADMINISTRATION--

A CONVERSATION ABOUT DEPARTMENTAL MANAGEMENT

Discussant

Marver H. Bernstein

The Brookings Institution

5:45 p.m. DINNER

7:45 p.m. THE ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEM

Chairman

Harold F. Wise

President

Harold F. Wise and Associates

Resource Persons

Russell E. Train

Chairman

Council on Environmental Quality

George Dudley, Chairman

Pure Water Authority (State of New York)

SATURDAY, June 27

9:00 a.m. POPULATION STRATEGIES

Chairman

Roy W. Crawley

Associate Executive Director

National Academy of Public Administration

#### Resource Persons

James L. Sundquist Senior Fellow The Brookings Institution

Dr. Rufus Miles, Jr. Woodrow Wilson School of Public and International Affairs Princeton University

12:15 p.m. LUNCH

1:30 p.m. CURRENT PROBLEMS IN ADMINISTRATION-AN INFORMAL DISCUSSION

5:45 p.m. DINNER

7:45 p.m. DILEMMAS IN EDUCATION

Chairman

George F. Will Senate Republican Policy Committee

Resource Persons

Michael Novak Associate Professor of Religious Studies State University of New York (Old Westbury)

Stephen Hess
Deputy Assistant to the President

CLOSING REMARKS

Mr. Ink

Joseph M. Robertson Assistant Secretary for Administration U.S. Department of Agriculture

10:00 p.m. ADJOURNMENT

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Finance

SUBJECT

: Domestic Per Diem

h/w - Les:

While at the Executive Officers Group conference last week. I learned that the Department of Transportation and General Services Administration are both applying with considerable financial savings some sort of "cost plus" schedules for the application of the new domestic per diem rates. The experience of each of these organizations has resulted in average per diem payments somewhat under \$21.00 per day. If there would be any interest, I feel certain we could get details of both arrangements from the Assistant Secretaries who were at the conference.

(signed) John W. Coffey

John W. Coffey Assistant Deputy Director for Support

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